Trust. Further action will be taken immediately after finalising the BOT tenders.

Amendment in Motor Vehicle Act

580. SHRI SATISHCHANDRA SITARAM PRADHAN: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to modify Motor Vehicle Act and change the provisions of issuing licenses in view of incidences of hijacking of IC 814 Indian Airlines Aircraft; and

(b) whether Government confirm the correctness of the residential address of the applicants?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (DR. DEBENDRA PRADHAN): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Under rule 4 of the Central Motor Vehicles Rules, 1989, provisions have been made for providing evidences in the form of authentic documents such as ration card, passport etc. satisfying the correctness of the address of the applicants of driving licenses. Therefore, no separate confirmation of the correctness of the address is done by the licensing authorities.

Failure to Exploit Tourist Potential on dawn of New Millennium

581. DR. ALLADI P. RAJKUMAR:
DR. Y. LAKSHMl PRASAD:

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether India missed out on the tourist opportunity of the millennium by failing to exploit the first dawn sunrise in the Andaman and Nicobar Island to attract foreign tourist;

(b) if so, the amount spent on hiring ships etc. and making arrangements for the visit to Katchal Islands for this purpose; and

(c) whether the tourism officials could not make advance propaganda for the occasion?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND THE MINISTER OF CULTURE (SHRI ANANTH KUMAR): (a) No, Sir. The Govt.